BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 97-146-C - ORDER NO. 97-523

JUNE 18, 1997

IN RE: Application of Long Distance Direct Holdings, Inc. to Amend its Certificate of Authority in order to Provide Local

) ORDER GRANTING) EXTENSION OF) TIME TO PREFILE

) TESTIMONY

Telecommunications Services.

This matter came before the Commission by the request of the Long Distance Direct Holdings, Inc. ("LDDH" or the "Applicant"), for an extension of time in which to prefile testimony in the above referenced Docket. By Order No. 97-330, dated April 18, 1997, this Commission established prefiling deadlines in this Docket.

By its request, the Applicant requests until June 11, 1997, in which to prefile its testimony. In support of its request, LDDH states that it never received notification that such testimony was due. However, the Commission Staff informs the Commission that return receipt for the prefile Order was received on May 2, 1997.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission concludes and so finds that the request of the Applicant for an extension of time in which to prefile the testimony of its witness should be The Commission does not believe that the extension will granted. cause prejudice or undue hardship to any other party.

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Commission hereby grants the Applicant the requested extension in which to prefile testimony in this Docket.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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